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10/784,441	02/23/2004	Gregory R. Dion	P1740 US (2650/167)

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**FORMALITIES LETTER**



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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

***Filing Date Granted***

**Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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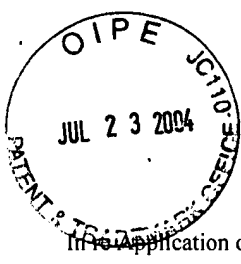
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PATENT  
Case No.: P1740 US (2650/167)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GREGORY R. DION

Serial No.: 10/784,441

Filed: FEBRUARY 23, 2004

Title: INFLATION ADAPTOR WITH ALIGNMENT  
GROOVES

Examiner:

Group Art Unit: 3763

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION  
FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)  
Filing Date Granted**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, Filing Date Granted, dated May 18, 2004, a copy of which is attached, enclosed herewith for filing are the following documents to complete the filing requirements of the above-identified application.

- ☒ Executed Declaration  
☐ Statement Claiming Small Entity Status-(37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(b)) – Independent Inventor  
☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2525 in the amount of \$130 for: Missing Parts Surcharge  
☐ \$\_\_\_ Filing fee [\$385 small entity; \$770 large entity (design \$170, \$340)]  
☐ \$\_\_\_ Additional Claim Fees  
☒ \$ 130 Missing Parts Surcharge

Petition for Extension of Time to reply to the Notice of Missing Parts (and fee)

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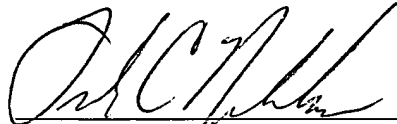
☐ Other:

- ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2525. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

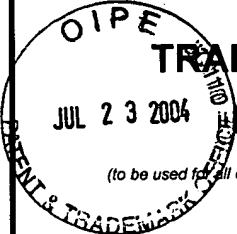
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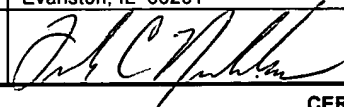
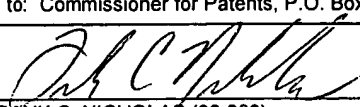
  
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 <p><b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b></p> <p>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</p>	Attorney Docket No.	P1740 US (2650/167)
	Application Number	10/784,441
	Filing Date	FEBRUARY 23, 2004
	First Named Inventor	GREGORY R. DION
	Group Art Unit	3763
	Examiner	

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)		
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**CALCULATION OF FEE**

				Small Entity		Large Entity		
	Claims After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total		Minus			x \$9=	0	x \$18=	
Indep.		Minus			x \$43=	0	x \$86=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$145=	---	+\$290=	
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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT		
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Signature		Date: JULY 19, 2004
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